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DIRT ROADS ONLY FOR THIS COUNTY

Senator J. Howard Moore Will Introduce Bill in Senate This Week to Hold Bond Election in April on Question of \$600,000 Issue Good Roads in Abbeville County.

A bill to be introduced in the senate by Senator J. Howard Moore proposes to prevent the building in Abbeville County of any hard surfaced road, but provides that \$600,000 be spent for dirt roads.

The measure provides for the holding of an election in this county April 3 to decide the question of whether the people of the county want roads of such character and also provides for Highway commission, named in the bill, to have charge of the sale of the bonds and the expenditure of the funds. A sinking fund is provided for in the measure. The members of this commission as named in the bill follow:

Supervisor W. A. Stevenson ex-officio member, J. Allen Smith, J. S. Stark, Joseph Hicks, T. O. Kirkpatrick, S. J. Wakefield, J. C. Ashley, A. Seldon Kennedy, J. R. Lomax, R. L. Barmore and J. A. Gilliam. The members of this commission are to receive no compensation, except actual expenses, and are to be bonded in the sum of \$10,000.

The bonds to be issued are to be known as Highway Improvement Bonds of Abbeville County; shall be in denominations of \$1,000 each, shall be serial coupon bonds, to run for such terms of years as the commission shall deem advisable, but none less than 30 years or exceeding 40 years; shall bear interest at the rate of not exceeding five percent.

It is proposed in this bill to build the following dirt roads:

1. Abbeville to McCormick County line by way of J. A. Gilliam, R. W. Knox, John McGaw, known as Calhoun Mill road.

2. Gilliam's Gin House to McCormick County line by way of Lebanon Church, Mrs. Gibert, Dr. Sherard place, known as Island Ford Road.

3. Fork of road at Hill Place to McCormick County line by way of Dave Wardlaw, Norman Cason to Clatworthy's Cross Roads, known as Snake Road.

4. Abbeville to Greenwood County line at Cedar Spring House, known as Dr. Pressly place, by way of L. A. Jackson, Mrs. R. L. Winn, J. F. Sutherland, known as Cedar Springs Road.

5. Abbeville to Greenwood County line either by way of W. A. Stevenson or Frank McCord.

6. Abbeville to Greenwood County line by way of J. R. Lomax, George Mundy, Buzzard Roost, known as Hodges Road.

7. Abbeville to Greenwood County line by way of R. H. and J. A. Stevenson, Richardson place, W. L. Cason place, A. F. Culvert place, known as Douglass Mill Road.

8. Abbeville to Due West, by way of R. B. Ferguson, Long Cane Church, W. J. Milford, Buck Stand, Ellis Brothers, known as Dpe West Road.

9. W. L. Dawson to Douglass Mill Road by way of Pierce Bowen, T. W. McCord and W. W. L. Kellar.

10. Due West to Donalds by way of James Todd place.

11. Donalds to Anderson County line, parallel with Southern Railroad.

12. Donalds to Greenwood County line by way of John Dunn and William Singleton.

13. Donalds to Greenwood County line near Ware Shoals by way of R. L. Barmore, Razor place, James Vork place.

14. Maddox place to Anderson County line at J. A. Black place by way of Watt Johnson's place, James Williams and Rev. R. W. Burts.

15. Due West to Anderson County line near Honea Path by way of J. Pruitt, The Hook, Ashley Store, J. R. Pruitt and J. A. Brock and the Kay

IS OPPOSED TO HIGH AWARDS OF MEN WHO LOST SHIPS

Washington, Jan. 23.—Rear Admiral Austin M. Knight, chairman of the Naval Decorations board, took sharp issue today with Secretary Daniels on the matter of naval awards.

Testifying before the senate investigating committee, Admiral Knight said the board could not agree that officers who lost their ship through enemy action were entitled to high decorations unless they had engaged the enemy.

Admiral Knight said the cases of officers who lost their vessels through submarine attacks were not comparable with those of Lawrence and Perry as Mr. Daniel said in his recent letter to Chairman Page, of the senate naval committee. Lawrence's name was immortal, the witness declared, because of the spirit he showed during the engagement with the enemy, while Perry's name will ever live in history because of the skill and daring he showed in transferring his flag from his sinking flagship to the Niagara and then leading his almost defeated fleet to victory.

Admiral Knight declared that Secretary Daniels placed "much emphasis" on cases where commanders lost their ships in contact with the enemy.

"The board is unable to accept the view that mere contact with the enemy constituted in itself a claim to recognition even when followed by meritorious service, unless such service is in some measure connected with operations, offensive or defensive, directed against the enemy," Admiral Knight stated.

13. W. J. Milford to Anderson County line by way of Cold Spring School House, R. W. Crawford, Pratt place, Bryant's Cross Roads, Robinson Brothers, known as Fair Bridge Road.

17. Abbeville to Anderson County line at L. O. Robinson place, by way of Martin's Mill, Crawford's Store, R. A. Keaton, Antreville, Dr. J. A. Anderson, known as Antreville and Trail Roads.

18. Crawford's Store to Lowndesville by way of J. H. Hill, J. W. Bradbery, Bel's Chapel, Midway Church, Campbell's School House, Foster Wright place and Frank's place.

18. Lowndesville to McCalla Ferry by way of W. H. Hardin, S. S. Boles, John McCalla.

20. Frank's place to Calhoun Falls.

21. Abbeville to Calhoun Falls by way of County Farm, Wardlaw's Bridge, J. F. Clinkscales, Smith Cross Roads, Glowing Springs.

22. Calhoun Falls to McCormick County line by way of Hester's Store.

23. From forks of road near J. F. Clinkscales to Martin's Store by way of J. M. Bell, Cunningham place.

24. Shaw place to Irwin's Mill, by way of R. A. Coleman.

25. From forks of road near Mrs. T. B. Eakin to Anderson County line by way of F. K. Ashley's shop and Zarline Bridge.

The roads to be built are to follow as near as possible the existing routes, but if necessary the commission will have power to condemn lands for the relocation of roads.

The bill provides that the roads shall not cost more than an average of \$5,000 per mile; that no cement or like surfacing shall be used; that roads are to be properly graded, properly drained and properly topsoiled.

To build the roads the measure provides for the employment of a competent engineer and assistants; that all of the road be built by contract, let to the lowest bidder and that the work shall proceed as far as possible simultaneously in the different portions of the county.

Senator Moore was in town today, and says that he will introduce the roads bill in the senate this week and will seek to obtain its passage at the earliest possible date.

CARRYING OUT OF TREATY OF LONDON IN CASE OF ITALY MAY BE ASKED

Paris, Jan. 22.—Italy will demand of France and England the carrying out of the treaty of London only when all other means of settling the Adriatic question have been tried and found futile, according to a statement made by Premier Nitti to a representative of the Echo de Paris. The correspondent accompanied the Italian premier from this city to Nice and was told by Signor Nitti that his trip to Rome was brought about solely by the railroad strike in Italy.

"The reply of the Jugo-Slav government to the note of the supreme council relative to conflicting claims on the eastern shores of the Adriatic does not satisfy us," the premier is quoted as saying, "but we have gone to the extreme limit in making concessions. The world should realize that for the sake of Fiume we renounce Dalmatia, which was given to us by the pact of London. We hope that after a few days further reflection the Jugo-Slavs will send an acceptable answer. This new people is in the course of formation and the exaggerated impulsiveness, characteristic of youth, is naturally present, but we are anxious to consider the Jugo-Slavs friends. They and we occupy the greater part of the Adriatic coast and have mutual interests. I wish to facilitate these relations. We will find an agreement. It must be found. We will demand execution of the London pact only at the last extremity."

MRS. LOUISE REID WILKES.

Mrs. Louise Reid Wilkes, wife of R. C. Wilkes, died this (Monday) morning, at 4 o'clock, at the family residence, Wardlaw Street, after an illness of only a few days. Mrs. Wilkes had been in bad health for some time and recently contracted influenza, which was the immediate cause of her death.

Mrs. Wilkes is a native of Abbeville county and is the daughter of T. H. Reid. She was married to R. C. Wilkes in 1914 and is survived by her husband, her father, T. H. Reid; one brother, Hoyt Reid, and one sister, Miss Maggie Reid.

Both Mr. Wilkes and Miss Maggie Reid are seriously ill with influenza at the Wilkes home.

The funeral will be held at the Baptist Church Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. Louis J. Bristow officiating. Interment will follow in Long Cane cemetery.

Winning the Fight Again.

Lieut. Bailey was in Abbeville last Friday and spent the night with his friend, W. D. Wilkinson. Lieut. Bailey was one of the fighters in the Thirtieth Division, being Acting Captain of 118th Machine Gun Company when the Hindenburg was broken.

Friday night Lieut. Bailey, Wilkinson and Neuffer talked over the old times, broke the line again, cleaned up the Germans generally and won the war in spite of congress, after which they were still fresh enough to call one some of our pretty girls. Lieut. Bailey is a traveling man now and since Friday night he is seriously considering making Abbeville his headquarters.

Going to Florida.

Mrs. Fred Cason and Mrs. J. M. Wilkinson will leave Friday for Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend some time with Mrs. Boyd, a sister of Mrs. Wilkinson. They will go to St. Augustine on a sight-seeing trip and though they do not hope to find the Fountain of perpetual youth, they expect to renew their youth in many ways while on their trip.

To See His Friend.

Dr. James Austin received the news Sunday of the serious illness of his friend, Dr. Crossland of Bennettsville, at a Columbia Hospital and left at once for his bedside.

DRASTIC CLAUSES IN SEDITION BILLS TO BE MODIFIED

Washington, Jan. 25.—Return of pending anti-sedition bills to the house judiciary committee for modification of provisions attacked as too drastic was indicated tonight as the probable action of the rules committee, which closed its hearing tonight in the application for a special rule to expedite passage of this legislation.

The rules committee is expected to make its decision next week, but committee members said the protest that had arisen against both the Sterling senate bill and the Graham house measure made it appear necessary that they should be modified either by the judiciary committee which framed the house measure or upon the floor of the house.

Three witnesses were heard today. Jackson H. Ralston, counsel for the American Federation of Labor and the National Popular Government league, opposing the bills and charging Attorney General Palmer and the department of justice agents with violations of constitutional rights in connection with some phases of the campaign against radicals; while Representatives Blanton, Democrat, Texas, and Davey, Democrat, Ohio, urged enactment.

Gompers Attacked.

Mr. Blanton declared congress must "squash anarchy" and attacked Samuel Gompers president of the A. F. of L., and the labor department, which he said was "honey-combed with anarchy." If the sedition law failed, he said, congress would "bear the mark of having bowed to Gompers."

Mr. Ralston sought to discuss activities of the department of justice and asserted four men had been arrested and detained a week without warrant in connection with the bomb explosion at Attorney General Palmer's home last May.

"The attorney general has violated the constitution," Mr. Ralston said, adding, when questioned, that "his subordinates have done so and the attorney general has had every opportunity to know they did it."

Death of Mrs. Sarah Hemphill.

The Atlanta Journal of Thursday carried the news of the death Thursday morning at her home in Athens of Mrs. Sarah Ann Hemphill. Mrs. Hemphill was a woman distinguished in many ways. She had reached the age of one hundred and two and a half years, her birthday being celebrated in August. She was the mother of ten children, six of whom have preceded her to the grave, her husband died over forty years ago.

She is survived by one son, Col. Robert A. Hemphill, of Atlanta, now seventy-two years old.

Mrs. Hemphill is the last mother of a confederate soldier in Georgia and on January 12th she was presented with a handsome gold pin by the Southern Memorial Society. She was a devout member of the Methodist Church for eighty years, and about seven years ago, during a meeting of the North Georgia conference in Athens she was invited by Bishops Wilson and Kilgore to preside over their deliberations during one session, which she did with ease and composure.

Mrs. Hemphill was of Virginia parentage, though she was born and lived all her life in Georgia, with her passing a link between the old and the new South is broken. She was a woman of fine intellect and took a keen interest in the affairs of the world to the day of her death.

At the Baptist Church

Something is always happening at the Baptist Church, if nothing else than a collection. Last Sunday it was a male quartette, in which Mr. Sanders, Sheriff Burts, Chick Gallo-way and Mr. Williamson did some very fine singing. They took as their selection, "I have wandered far from the fold of God" which made the bad men in the congregation wonder if the singers intended to talk about themselves.

WE MUST PRODUCE MORE OR CONSUME LESS TO PROSPER

Washington, Jan. 23.—American capital will be employed in aiding Europe to "get back to productive work," not because of "attractive rates of interest," but to restore normal conditions and to open markets for American export, Governor W. P. G. Harding, of the federal reserve board, said today, speaking before the second Pan-American financial congress.

"We cannot, however, export things which we do not have," Governor Harding said, "and in order to provide an exportable surplus we must produce more, or, failing that, consume less. During the past year we have witnessed an unprecedented era of extravagance in this country; there has been a continuous rise in prices, and while the value of our products expressed in dollars has been greater than ever before in history, the physical volume of goods produced was less than the production of any year since 1916. Our domestic demand has been competing with export demands and the result has been that prices have been bid upon both by the foreign and domestic consumers."

"Our people must be aroused to consciousness that we have been living since the close of the war in a fools paradise and that more work, economy and liberal investment in foreign securities are necessary if we are to make our present apparent prosperity real and permanent. It is important that the world should get back to work, and in order to provide steady employment for the people of our own country, even, it is necessary that there should be a sustained demand for products and in order to maintain this steady demand, it is necessary to supply markets abroad from our surplus production."

American bankers were studying the situation from a new angle toward world finance he said, and undertaking engagements they would they are being examined in the office of supervisor and are being put in shape to come to Washington. The supervisors have been instructed to send the schedules as rapidly as consignments can be made ready. We therefore naturally expect a large amount of the work to reach the office in Washington during the latter part of this month or the first of February, but as a general rule the enumeration will be completed throughout the entire country by the first of February. It will be some time, however, before it will be finished in the districts where it has been postponed on account of climatic conditions.

Governor Harding called attention to the new "Edge act" providing machinery for financing these undertakings, which, he said, gave exporters, producers, manufacturers and American investors the means of co-operation to solve the problem before them.

"The basis of world commerce is an exchange of goods," Governor Harding said, pointing out that American loans must be on terms to permit the borrowers to repay in products.

"European nations can produce many things which we either do not produce at all or cannot produce as cheaply as they can," he continued, "or it may be they can produce things needed in South American countries or in the far east. As American importers have constant dealings with South American and oriental countries, it follows that European credits available in China and Japan, Argentina, Chile, Brazil and other Latin American nations will be just as effective in liquidating European obligations in the United States as direct European credits in New York would be."

NAVY PAY INCREASE BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Washington, Jan. 23.—The house today passed the bill granting increases of 30 to 50 per cent to enlisted men of the navy. No offer was made to include increase pay for officers in the bill, although the naval committee will consider this feature later.

The enlisted men's increases are made retroactive to January 1 and in addition a bonus of four months' pay is given for re-enlistments. The vote was 311 to 10.

CENSUS OF CITIES READY BY SUMMER

Washington, D. C., Expected to Be First City Ready—Weather Conditions Have Delayed Census in Many Places—Enumeration Reported Finished in Many Cities.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Announcement of the population of practically all cities of the country by May or June and the total population of the entire country in September or October is the expectation of the director of the census, Sam. L. Rogers.

Population statistics of some of the cities probably will be completed by March or earlier. Washington, D. C., is expected to be the first, as it was in the thirteenth census, in 1910. In that year it was taken April 13, and announced June 24, Rhode Island's population in 1910 was announced first of the states on July 21. New York City's population was announced September 2, Boston's, September 14, and Chicago's, September 18.

The center of population, Bloomington, Ind., was announced July 17, and the country's total population was made public December 10. "The enumeration is in progress throughout the entire country," said Mr. Rogers today. "Advices from the supervisors indicate that during the first week of the work at least 70,000 enumerators were started."

"We find that in some districts it will be necessary to postpone the enumeration because of weather conditions. There has been no opposition to furnishing the information requested by the enumerators."

"The supervisors report the completion of the enumeration in many districts, and as rapidly as the enumerators turn in their portfolios they are being examined in the office of supervisor and are being put in shape to come to Washington. The supervisors have been instructed to send the schedules as rapidly as consignments can be made ready. We therefore naturally expect a large amount of the work to reach the office in Washington during the latter part of this month or the first of February, but as a general rule the enumeration will be completed throughout the entire country by the first of February. It will be some time, however, before it will be finished in the districts where it has been postponed on account of climatic conditions."

Abbeville Men.

Spartanburg is putting up a live campaign for members for their Chamber of Commerce. Everybody taking part in the drive is a "General" or a Major or a Captain.

General Frank McGee is assisted by Captain L. W. Poin, while Major C. B. Fretwell did a good share.

Captain Perrin was born in Abbeville, Gen. McGee got his training here, while Major Fretwell has passed through occasionally and learned a lot in passing and he has a sister living here which entitles him to distinction.

The Weather

Sunday took the prize as a disagreeable day. There was a steady rain most of the day, which was blown about by a strong cold wind. The streets are in a bad fix on account of the street paving and this with the rain is causing many a good man to lose his religion and indulge in a fine line of profanity.

COTTON MARKET.

January 26.	
March	36.18
Spot Cotton	40.00
May	34.26
July	32.30
October	29.87